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TITLE: A SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT

1. Type of Application

This is a request for filing a *DIVISIONAL APPLICATION* under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

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Title:

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2. Papers Enclosed

	A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:					
	 Page(s) of Specification Page(s) of Claims Page(s) of Abstract Sheet of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1-3) 					
	B. Other Papers Enclosed					
	 [x] A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet [x] A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application [] A Preliminary Amendment [x] Information Disclosure Statement [x] Form PTO-1449 					
3.	The correspondence address for this application is: Customer No. 025191					
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4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)						
	[] Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.					
	[] Applicants hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).					
5.	Relate Back					
	A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)					
	[] Priority of provisional application Serial No filed, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).					
	B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)					
	[x] Priority of said prior application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.					
	Application Number Filing Date Relationship					
	10/370,350 February 18, 2003 Parent					
	10/007,099 December 4, 2001 Grandparent					

C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application

[x] Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

Country	Application Number	Filing Date		
Japan	2000-373,039	December 7, 2000		
Japan	2001-153,693	May 23, 2001		
Japan	2001-267,299	September 4, 2001		

[[]x] Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications were filed in prior application Serial No. 10/007,099 on April 12, 2002.

6. Assignment

The prior application is assigned of record to <u>NGK Insulators, Ltd.</u> at Reel <u>012796</u>, Frame(s) <u>0837-0839</u> (recorded April 15, 2002).

7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Filing fee	Basic Filing fee (37 CFR §1.16(a))					
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA		RATE		
Total Claims	7 - 20 =	0	×	\$ 18.00		
Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0	×	\$ 86.00		
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$290.00						
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =						770.00
[] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.						
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